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Under the provisions of Section 413.031 of the Texas Workers' Compensation Act, Title 5, Subtitle A of the Texas Labor Code, effective June 17, 2001 and Commission Rule 133.305, titled Medical Dispute Resolution-General, and 133.307, titled Medical Dispute Resolution of a Medical Fee Dispute, a review was conducted by the Division regarding a medical fee dispute between the requestor and the respondent named above. This dispute was received on 7-24-03.

I. DISPUTE

Whether there should be reimbursement for CPT codes E1399 and E0745.

II. FINDINGS

The respondent denied reimbursement based upon "A –Preauthorization Not Obtained; M – Reduced to Fair and Reasonable; and N – Not Documented."

III. RATIONALE

DOS	CPT	Billed	Paid	EOB	MAR\$	Reference	Rationale
	CODE			Denial Code	(Maximum Allowable Reimbursement)		
9-10-02	E1399	\$85.00	\$00.00	N	DOP	General Instructions GR III Durable Medical Equipment (VIII)(IX)	Electrodes - Requestor submitted prescription, letter of medical necessity, description of DME product to support billing per MFG; therefore, reimbursement of \$85.00 is recommended.
9-10-02 10-10-02 11-10-02	E0745	\$375.00	\$89.07	M M A	DOP	Section 413.011(b) Rule 134.600	Neuromuscular Stimulator – Requestor submitted prescription, letter of medical necessity, description of DME product to support billing per MFG; therefore, reimbursement of \$375.00 - \$89.07 = \$ 285.93 X 2 dates = \$571.86. No reimbursement recommended for 11-10-02, since preauthorization approval report was not submitted.
TOTAL				•	•	•	The requestor is entitled to reimbursement of \$656.86.

IV. DECISION & ORDER

Based upon the review of the disputed healthcare services within this request, the Division has determined that the requestor **is** entitled to reimbursement for CPT codes, E1399 and E0745, in the amount of \$ 656.86. Pursuant to Sections 402.042, 413.016, 413.031, and 413.019 the Division hereby ORDERS the Respondent to remit \$656.86 plus all accrued interest due at the time of payment to the Requestor within 20 days receipt of this Order.

The above Findings, Decision and Order are hereby issued this 10th day of May 2004.

Elizabeth Pickle Medical Dispute Resolution Officer Medical Review Division